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## **Recreational Trails Program to hold teleconferences for grant applicants**

(Anchorage, AK) – To assist new or experienced applicants for Recreational Trails Program (RTP) grants this year, Alaska State Parks will host two teleconferences on Thursday, September 15, and Tuesday, September 27. Both teleconferences will be 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The RTP program provides reimbursable, matching funds to develop and maintain trails and trail-related facilities and projects. For additional information, go to <http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/grants/trails.htm>.

Topics for the teleconferences include program guidelines, restrictions, eligibility and deadlines, applicable federal regulations, reporting and billing requirements, as well as what constitutes a successful application, the role of the Outdoor Recreational Trails Advisory Board, how to put together a successful budget and create a feasible schedule, and how to know if you need to fill out an environmental review checklist. Applicants are invited to ask questions during the teleconferences.

To join the calls, dial 866-918-8374 and enter conference code 5569714090.

Anyone interested in applying for an RTP grant who is unable to join a teleconference is encouraged to contact Darcy Harris at [darcy.harris@alaska.gov](mailto:darcy.harris@alaska.gov) or 907-269-8699 any time before the Nov. 1 grant application deadline.

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